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Act 15.
Jack and the Beanstalk - Part Two

THE HARP THAT PLAYS BY ITSELF
I THINK IT WAS ABOUT 700 YEARS AGO...? I HEARD IT WAS STOLEN, BUT I HAPPENED UPON IT RECENTLY
HM? AH
Tch... You looked prettier with your hair down
SO... THIS WAS YOUR DOING
Blow!
HM?
HUMANS JUST DON'T LISTEN
Want some tea?
YOU'RE MAD ABOUT A LITTLE THING LIKE THAT?
UGH, I TOLD HIM NOT TO TAKE MORE THAN TWO PILLS

THE BOARD SUMMONED ME BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF SEEDS BEING RECOVERED
FU
DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT THOSE ROTTING OLD MEN SAY
ALICE IS LOOKING FOR WHITE RABBIT
PFT—

WHAT A NOSTALGIC NAME. THAT BASTARD REAL~LY HATED BEING CALLED THAT.
YOU KNOW SOMETHING, DON'T YOU. ?
ME?
AND THAT IS...
I ONLY KNOW ONE THING

THAT YOU'RE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING IN THE WORLD
BOOM

OOF...
MY BODY MIGHT NOT MAKE IT THROUGH THIS
KUKUKU
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL

...BUT I REALLY DIDN'T THINK YOU'D TAKE MY REQUEST.

HOW COULD I REFUSE A REQUEST FROM SUCH A CUTIE~
SHUT UP
WE'LL SEE IF YOU CAN CONTINUE THIS ACT OF STUPIDITY IN FRONT OF ALICE
WOW~ JUST THE THOUGHT MAKES MY HAIR STAND ON END~
JACK!

UGH...!
HOW COME YOU ALWAYS GET HURT WHEN YOU GO OUT?!
I WAS ONLY TRYING TO TALK TO WHITE RABBIT...
JACK, THERE IS ONE ALTERNATIVE.
AHH! WE CAN'T RETURN NOW, CAN WE?
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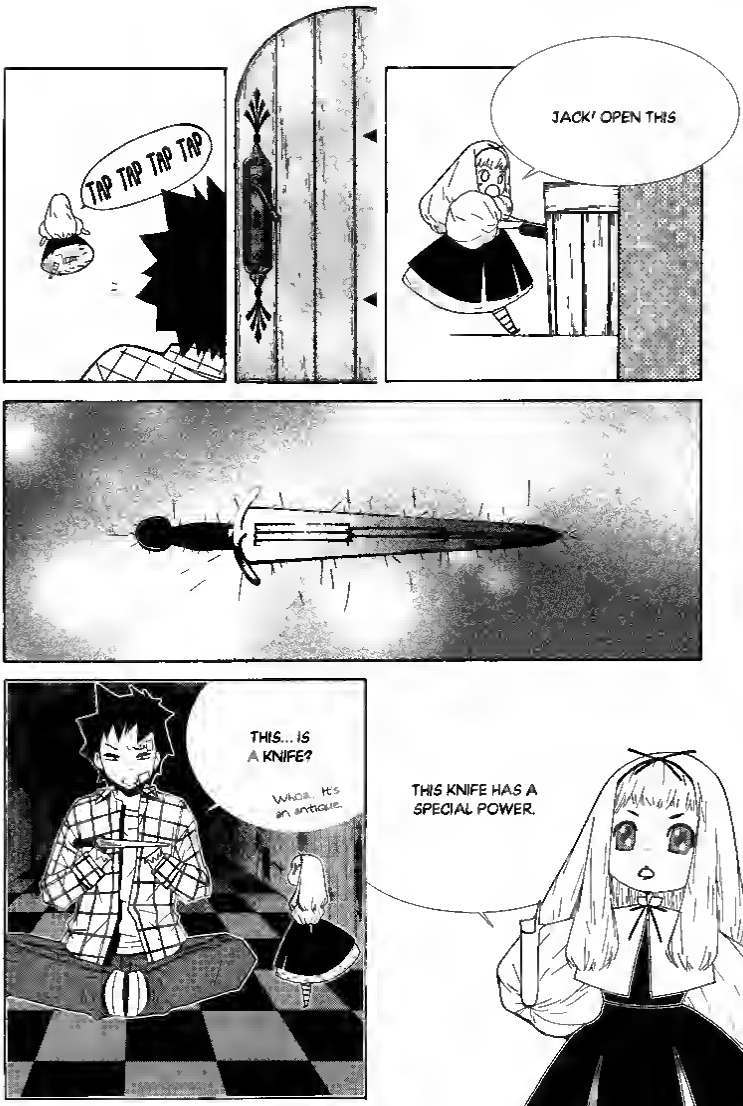

TAP TAP TAP TAP
JACK! OPEN THIS
THIS... IS A KNIFE?
Whoa. It's an antique.
THIS KNIFE HAS A SPECIAL POWER.

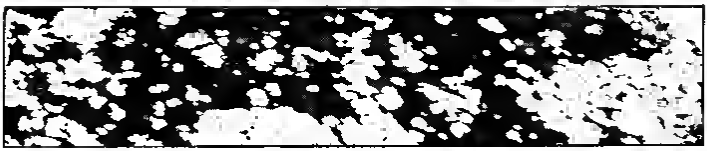
"THE KNIFE OF THE QUEEN OF HEARTS"
IF YOU STAB SOMEONE IN THE NECK WITH THIS KNIFE AND DRINK THAT PERSON'S BLOOD, YOU CAN GAIN HIS OR HER POWERS.
WH-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ? YOU'RE TELLING ME TO KILL SOMEONE WITH THIS KNIFE?
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, RIGHT? I ONLY MENTIONED IT BECAUSE YOU WERE SUFFERING SO MUCH
WELL THEN, JACK~ YOU'RE LIVING WITH ME FROM NOW ON, OKAY?
!!!!!

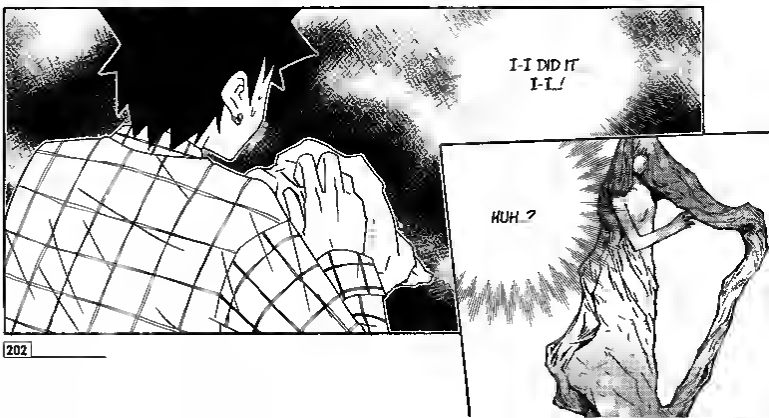
IF I STAB THE MEDICINE PEDDLER WITH THIS KNIFE AND OBTAIN HIS POWERS.
JACK, I'M HUNGRY LET'S GO EAT THE CANDY HOUSE
IF I DO GET HOME, I WOULDN'T HAVE TO LIVE LIKE TRASH
ALICE.
HM?
TELL ME WHERE THE MEDICINE PEDDLER LIVES.

EXCUSE ME!
EXCUSE ME! ARE YOU THERE?!
HM?
OH, YOU'RE...?
HEY YOU. DON'T YOU KNOW THE SAYING, "YOUR BAD LUCK IS YOUR OWN DOING"?
PLEASE SEND ME BACK HOME I'M BEING PURSUED BY THE SOLDIERS
T-THEN AT LEAST HIDE ME IN THE CASTLE. AT THIS RATE, THE SOLDIERS ARE GOING TO KILL ME!

FINE, COME IN.
B BIG
SO... YOU'LL DO ANYTHING I ASK?
IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, ONE BY ONE
ORGANIZE THOSE BOOKS FOR ME
GASP
GASP!

IS THIS THE NATIONAL LIBRARY...?!
TEMPLE
I-I DIDN'T WANT IT TO COME TO THIS...!




I-I DID IT
I-I...!
HUH...?

THAT'S...
MY HARP!
THUMP
ARGH!

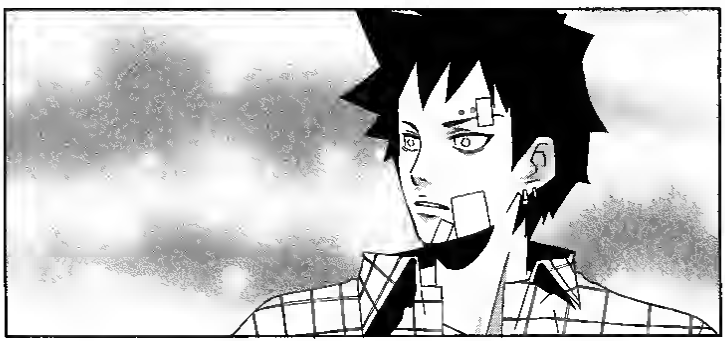
Roll Roll
GAH! T-THE HEAD..!
OW!
T-THE CORPSE IS TALKING...
Kuku
STRICTLY SPEAKING, I'M NOT EVEN A CORPSE. I'M JUST A HEAD
Ah~ I want a smoke.
CAN'T YOU BE A LITTLE MORE CAREFUL?
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT YOU'VE JUST DONE? HM?!

I-I'M SORRY! I DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT BUT ALICE TOLD ME TO...!
WE HAVE TO RETURN TO THE CASTLE. OUR PRIORITY SHOULD BE TO GET AWAY FROM THE QUEEN'S GROUNDS.
SO YOU SUCCEEDED, JACK!
ALICE...? WHY ARE YOU WITH THE GUARDS?
THINGS LIKE THIS KEEP HAPPENING BECAUSE YOU NAIVELY BELIEVE HER WORDS JUST BECAUSE SHE'S A LITTLE GIRL...

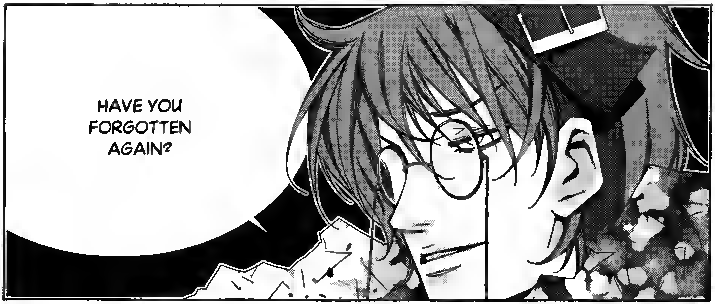
STUPID JACK... YOU KNOW THE COMPANY'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS TO SOME EXTENT, YET...

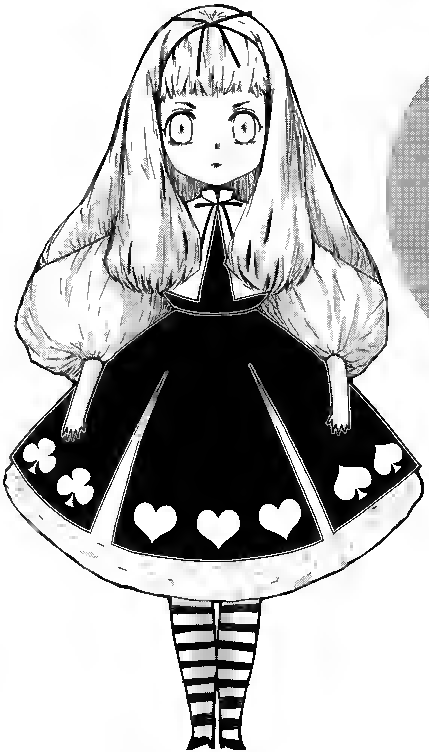
YOU STILL DON'T KNOW WHO WIELDS THE KNIFE OF THE QUEEN?

ALICE IS THE QUEEN OF MARCHEN COMPANY.



T-THEN... THE PART ABOUT OBTAINING POWERS FROM THE MEDICINE PEDDLER...
IT'S TRUE. I SLIT THE NECK AND DRANK THE BLOOD OF THE PREVIOUS QUEEN TO EARN MY PLACE.
YOU WERE AVOIDING ME AND FOOLING AROUND JUST BECAUSE I COULDN'T LEAVE THE COMPANY. THIS SERVES YOU RIGHT.
NOW, ANSWER ME
WHERE DID YOU HIDE WHITE RABBIT? IF YOU DON'T ANSWER ME, I'LL CRUSH YOUR LITTLE HEAD AND SUCK ALL THE BLOOD OUT OF IT~


HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN AGAIN?

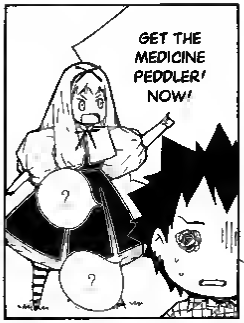


YOU ALREADY ATE WHITE RABBIT A LONG TIME AGO

LIES.

YOU LIAR..!
I WON'T LET THIS SLIDE!

MEDICINE PEDDLER, YOU BASTARD!!!
POOF
HUH...?!


GET THE MEDICINE PEDDLER! NOW!
?
?

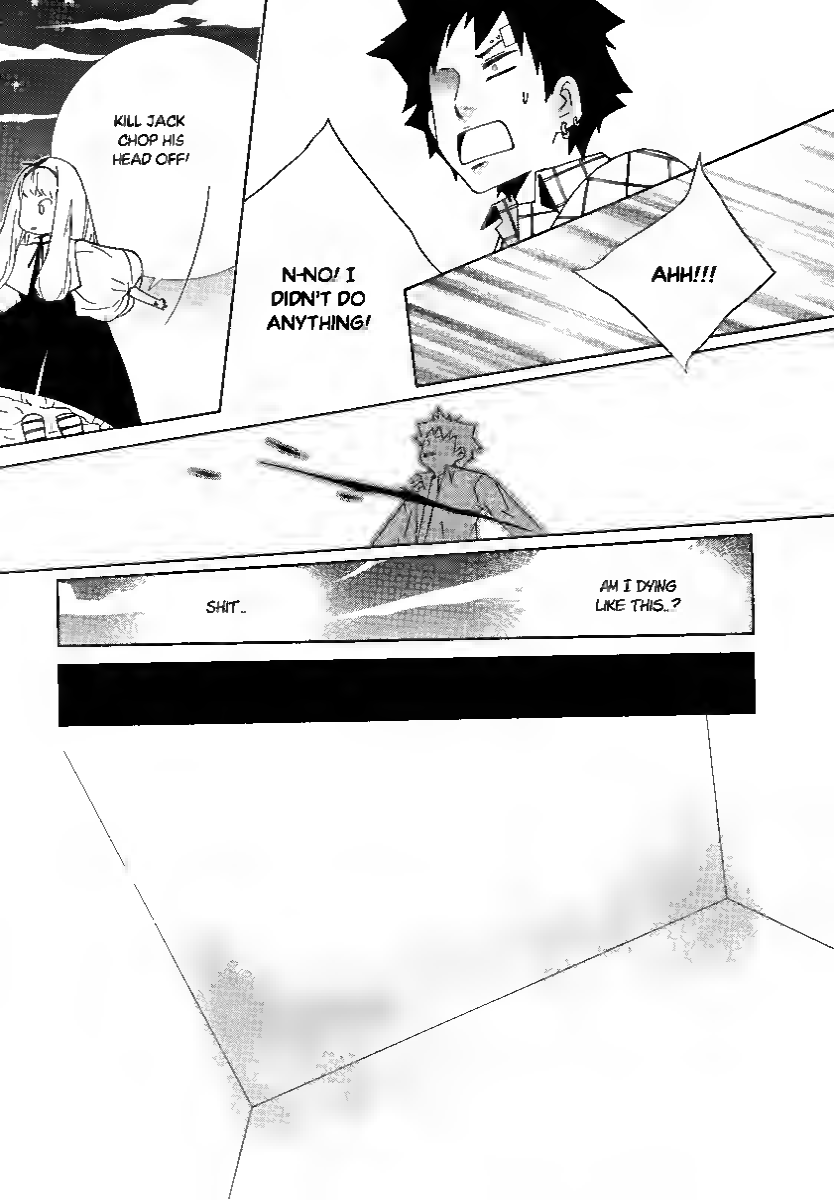
SOMEONE HINTED THAT THIS WOULD HAPPEN, SO I WAS PREPARED FOR YOUR MAJESTY'S VIOLENT OUTBURST

THIS IS ALL THANKS TO YOU.

WELL, I'M A BUSY PERSON, SO BYE-BYE.

GIVE HER MAJESTY THIS MEDICINE

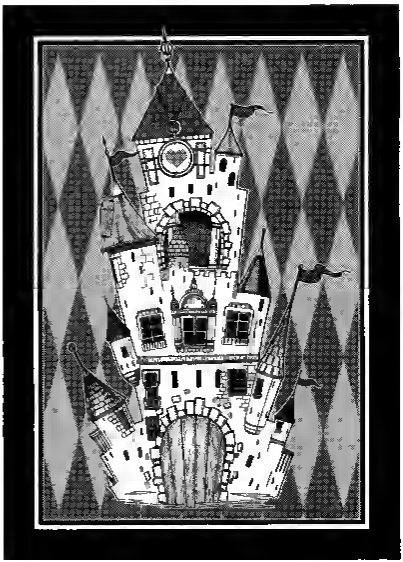
JACK... YOU FOOLED ME...?


KILL JACK CHOP HIS HEAD OFF!
N-NO! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!
AHH!!!
SHIT..
AM I DYING LIKE THIS..?

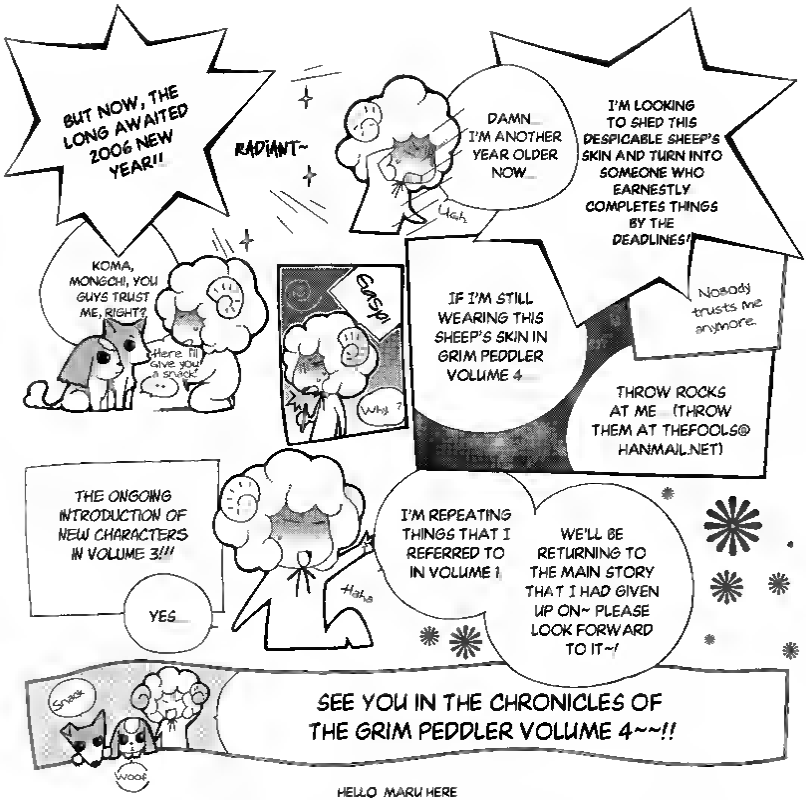
WHOA!!!
WH-WHAT HAPPENED? WAS IT A DREAM?
I LIVED THANKS TO THE HARP...
Sniffle
THANK YOU, FATHER

I'M NOT TAKING ANY MORE OF THIS MEDICINE!
GET READY IT'S ALMOST TIME TO COLLECT SEEDS.
THIS.

AM I OVERTHINKING ?
CHILL
IT WASN'T MY INTENTION, BUT I'VE CAUSED HIM TROUBLE, SO IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO SEND HIM A LOT OF LOVE NEXT TIME
HUH? WHAT'S WRONG?



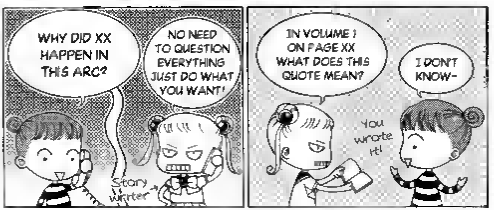
EPILOGUE
My special ability is that I can always be found at home.
HELLO. LEE JUNGAH HERE. NICE TO MEET YOU~
Kaina 7 years old
Summe Snacks
Mane Chi 1 year old ♀
Outstanding fatness at birth (Lives for food)
4kg (Stubbornly refuses to eat protein)
Grim Peddler
IT'S BEEN 10 MONTHS SINCE THE RELEASE OF VOLUMES 1 AND 2 OF GRIM PEDDLER... IF YOU ASK ME WHY THIS ONE WAS SO LATE...
I wordlessly dive on.
Screw it all-
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EDITORIAL, OR TO MANAGER ONION, WHO'S IN CHARGE.
Towards YonaSan
Kill me.
I can only pray towards YonaSan
WELL
AFTER THE FIRST BOOK, I STARTED TO WORK DIGITALLY.
WE HAD TO SEND THE LAYOUTS AND STORYBOARDS OVER THE INTERNET, AND, AS A RESULT, I HAD LITTLE (TO NO) CHANCE TO VISIT THE EDITORIAL.
Shelf
Sleep Area
Closet
Computer Desk
ACTUALLY... I BARELY MOVE IN THE ROOM...
It's called no exercise
What?
MANAGER ONION'S FACE IS VERY VAGUE.
I think it's been 2 years since I last saw her
THERE WAS A BIG CHANGE STARTING WITH VOLUME 3!
Ooh! What would that be?!
THAT IS...!!!
Whir Whir
Maru
A JOINT PROJECT WITH STORY WRITER MARU!!
BAM
BAM
Anger
NOT THAT KIND OF MARU!
And that isn't a bend.
EH?
*Maru -Circle -Round things
Oh~ It's a rose from the sky
Yay~ So Brother Asame
I'VE COMMITTED SO MANY CRIMES...
(such as lying)
Peer
THAT I'VE BECOME THE BOY WHO CRIED WOLF...
BUT THAT WASN'T ENOUGH, AND NOW...
I became an animal
NOW I'VE COME TO WEAR A SHEEP'S SKIN


BUT NOW, THE LONG AWAITED 2006 NEW YEAR!!
RADIANT~
DAMN... I'M ANOTHER YEAR OLDER NOW...
Uhh...
I'M LOOKING TO SHED THIS DESPICABLE SHEEP'S SKIN AND TURN INTO SOMEONE WHO EARNESTLY COMPLETES THINGS BY THE DEADLINES!
KOMA, MONGCHI, YOU GUYS TRUST ME, RIGHT?
Here it! Give you a snack!
...
Gasp!
Why...?
IF I'M STILL WEARING THIS SHEEP'S SKIN IN GRIM PEDDLER VOLUME 4...
Nobody trusts me anymore.
THROW ROCKS AT ME... (THROW THEM AT THEFOOLS@HANMAIL.NET)
THE ONGOING INTRODUCTION OF NEW CHARACTERS IN VOLUME 3!!!
YES...
Haha
I'M REPEATING THINGS THAT I REFERRED TO IN VOLUME 1.
WE'LL BE RETURNING TO THE MAIN STORY THAT I HAD GIVEN UP ON~ PLEASE LOOK FORWARD TO IT~!
Sniff
Woof
SEE YOU IN THE CHRONICLES OF THE GRIM PEDDLER VOLUME 4~~!!

HELLO MARU HERE

THE SYNC BETWEEN THE ART AND THE STORY IS LESS THAN 40%... LESS THAN 20% IN THE CINDERELLA ARC. BUT IT SEEMS WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY PARTICULAR COMPLAINTS ABOUT IT SO FAR.

IS IT BECAUSE WE'RE BOTH EASY-GOING, OR IS IT BECAUSE WE BOTH DON'T REALLY CARE? IT'LL PROBABLY CONTINUE THIS WAY FROM NOW ON TOO, BUT I GUESS IT'S ALL GOOD AS LONG AS WE'RE BOTH FINE WITH IT.


WHY DID XX HAPPEN IN THIS ARC?
NO NEED TO QUESTION EVERYTHING JUST DO WHAT YOU WANT!
Story writer
IN VOLUME 1 ON PAGE XX WHAT DOES THIS QUOTE MEAN?
I DON'T KNOW~
You wrote it!

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MY PATIENCE IS RUNNING THIN.
S-
SORRY!
SORRY WON'T CUT IT. HMM...
UPDATE FASTER OR YOU DIE!

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